

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended) A ~~screwdriver-style~~ pry bar comprising:

a handle member having a first end, a second end, and an aperture through the longitudinal axis thereof;

an elongated metal shank member having a first end positioned within the aperture of the handle member, the shank member extending from the first end of the handle member; and

a metal impact cap having a first end positioned within the aperture of the handle member, and a second end extending from the second end of the handle member[[]]; wherein

the first end of the impact cap is positioned adjacent to and in contact with the first end of the shank member.

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (currently amended) The pry bar of claim 1 [[]], wherein the first end of the impact cap comprises an aperture.

Claim 4 (original) The pry bar of claim 3, wherein the first end of the shank member is positioned within the aperture of the impact cap.

Claim 5 (currently amended) The pry bar of claim 3, wherein the ~~cylindrical body of the~~ impact cap comprises an exterior surface configured to improve the attachment of the impact cap to the handle.

Claim 6 (currently amended) The pry bar of claim 5, wherein the exterior surface of the ~~cylindrical body of the~~ impact cap comprises a groove positioned circumferentially thereon.

Claim 7 (original) The pry bar of claim 1, wherein the second end of the impact cap comprises a rounded surface.

Claim 8 (currently amended) A ~~screwdriver-style~~ pry bar comprising:

- a plastic handle member having a first end, a second end, and an aperture through the longitudinal axis thereof;

- an elongated metal shank member having a first end positioned within the aperture of the handle member, the shank member extending from the first end of the handle member;

- a metal impact cap having a first end positioned within the aperture of the handle member, and a second end extending from the second end of the handle member;

- wherein the first end of the impact cap comprises an aperture and the first end of the shank member is positioned within the aperture of the impact cap such that the impact cap is positioned adjacent to and in contact with the first end of the shank member.

Claim 9 (original) The pry bar of claim 8, wherein the impact cap comprises an exterior surface comprising means for securing the impact cap to the handle.

Claim 10 (original) The pry bar of claim 9, wherein the means for securing the impact cap to the handle comprises a groove formed circumferentially on the exterior surface of the impact cap.

Claim 11 (original) The pry bar of claim 8, wherein the second end of the impact cap comprises a rounded surface.

Claims 12-15 (canceled)

Claim 16 (new) A pry bar comprising:

- a metal impact cap having a first end and a second end, wherein the first end of the impact cap comprises an aperture;

- an elongated metal shank member having a first end positioned within the aperture of the

impact cap, wherein the impact cap is positioned adjacent to and in contact with the first end of the shank member; and

a plastic handle covering the first end of the impact cap and a portion of the metal shank.

Claim 17 (new) The pry bar of claim 16, wherein the exterior surface of the impact cap comprises a groove positioned circumferentially thereon.

Claim 18 (new) The pry bar of claim 16, wherein the second end of the impact cap comprises a rounded surface.

Claim 19 (new) The pry bar of claim 16, wherein the impact cap comprises a cylindrical body.

Claim 20 (new) The pry bar of claim 1, wherein the impact cap comprises a cylindrical body.

Claim 21 (new) The pry bar of claim 8, wherein the impact cap comprises a cylindrical body.